

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
HIDEO NORO, ET AL. ) : Examiner: Unassigned  
Application No.: 10/594,114 ) : Group Art Unit: 2628  
Filed: September 25, 2006 ) : Confirmation No.: 7038  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD ) : November 8, 2007  
AND IMAGE PROCESSING :  
APPARATUS )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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